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- (a) Many Britishers regard the Muslims as "better" than other Indians.
- (b) The Asian birthrate in Nairobi during 1952 was 61 per 1000 compared with 21 for the European population. In Kenya the white man is outnumbered 134 to one by the African and three to one by the Indian.
- (c) Politically, Indians have less than half the representation of the Europeans in the colony.
- (d) In the professional grades of the Civil Service, Indians are paid three-fifths of what a European receives for the same job.
- (e) Restrictive govenants operate against Indians wanting to buy property in some residential sections of Nairobi, and, although they are barred from owning land in the white highlands, they are free to purchase land elsewhere in the colony.

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